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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the non-final Office Action mailed September 2, 2005. The Amendment is being submitted along with a petition for a two-month extension for the reply. Based upon the amendments and remarks set forth below, reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Please amend the application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.